

June 8, 1994

Mr. Wayne Hedberg, Minerals Program Supervisor Division of Oil, Gas and Mining Suite 350, 3 Triad Center Salt Lake City, UT 84180-1203 MINERALS PECOPONIA

Dear Mr. Hedberg:

As you may know, Crown Energy Corporation, through its wholly owned subsidiary, BuenaVentura Resources Corporation, owns and operates a tar sands mine located at Asphalt Ridge near Vernal, Utah. Crown has been working to commercialize the production of tar sands oil utilizing a new technology developed by Dr. Park Guymon of Weber State University.

In 1992, we conducted a pilot project where we successfully separated the oil and produced clean sand. Because the process does not require heat to achieve the oil separation, the costs are dramatically reduced over other known technologies. Since the pilot project, we have been working with industry partners to determine the feasibility of a full scale operation.

Crown invites you to attend a barbecue at its mine at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 18, 1994. A map to the mine is enclosed. Crown will display its 100 ton per hour initial production facility for the extraction of oil from tar sands.

If you plan to attend please RSVP to Mr. Steve Burton at 537-5610.

Sincerely,

Jay Mealey

President

JM/sjb

Enclosure

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